(b) if so, the names of the Universities which sent the requisite information;

(c) the names of Universities not following the schedule; and

(d) whether Government are taking any measures to ensure that Universities follow the schedule, in view of the fact that a student of Rajasthan University committed suicide due to non-declaration of results?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(d) In order to ensure that all the academic activities of the University, including conduct of examination, declaration of results, start of new academic session, etc. take place in time, the UGC has formulated and cirulated to all Universities an Academic Calendar. The UGC had also set up a Committee to examine the issues ralating to implementation of the Academic Calander in the universities. The Committee, in its report, had suggested award to the universities to encourage implementation of the Academic Calendar. The recommendations were considered by the Commission and circulated to all the universities and State Governments emphasising the need to implement the Academic Calendar as also the main recommendations of the Committee.

National Perspective plan for Youth

2279. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered formulation of programme of action on national perspective plan for youth; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) The National Perspective Plan for Youth towards 2020 (NPPY) is being formulated by Government of India. The Programme of Action will be formulated after this draft is finalised.

Sexual Harassment of women employees in IGNCA

2280. SHRI A. VIJYA RAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Commission for Women has received a letter dated 13th July, 1998 from Employees' Union of the Indira Gandhi National Center for Arts complaining sexual harassment allegedly perpetrated on women employees of IGNCA;

(b) if so, the details of the complaint;

(c) whether the Commission has conducted any enquiry into the complaint; and

(d) if so, the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A complaint has been received by the National Commission for Women in July, 1998 alleging misbehaviour with a lady Data Entry Operator by a Director of the Indira Gandhi National Centre for Arts.

(c) and (d) The National Commission or Women has initiated an enquiry into he complaint.

शिक्षा मंत्रियों के सम्मेलन की कार्यसूची

2281. **श्री रामजीलाल:** क्या मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री 4 दिसम्बर, 1998 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न 717 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 22 और 23 अक्तूबर, 1998 को आयोजित राज्यों और संघ शासित प्रदेशों के शिक्षा मंत्रियों के सम्मेलन की कार्यसूची में राष्ट्रीय एकता

और शिक्षा में समानता लाने के उद्देश्य से पूरे देश में समान विवरण-पत्रिका रखने की ओर कोई ध्यान नहीं दिया गया है; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (डा० मुरली मनोहर जोशी): (क) और (ख) सम्मेलन में मुख्य ध्यान शासन के लिए राष्ट्रीय एजेंडा में शिक्षा से संबंधित मुद्दों की सूची अर्थात्, प्रारम्भिक शिक्षा सभी को सुलभ कराने, निरक्षरता उन्मूलन, लड़कियों के लिए निःशुल्क शिक्षा, अनुसूचित जातियों, अनुसूचित जन जातियों, अन्य पिछड़े वर्गों और अल्प संख्यकों का शैक्षिक विकास, युवा शक्ति को काम में लगाने, खेल-कूद विकास के लिए युवा, खेल-कूद विद्यालयों की स्थपना, देशी खेल-कूद और क्रीड़ाएं, सूचना प्रौद्योगिकी और सम्पूर्ण शिक्षा पद्धति के गुणात्मक सुधार पर केन्द्रीय और राज्य सरकारों के मध्य विचार-विमर्श की प्रक्रिया शुरू करने पर दिया गया था।

राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति, 1986 (1992 में यथा संशोधित) शिक्षा की एक राष्ट्रीय पद्धति प्रदान करती है जिसमें पूरे देश में एक समान शैक्षिक ढ़ांचे की परिकल्पना की गई है। राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा पद्धति अन्य लचीले घटकों, सहित समान कोर वाले एक राष्ट्रीय पाठ्यचर्या ढ़ाँचे पर आधारित एक राष्ट्रीय शिक्षा नीति की स्पष्ट परिकल्पना करती है।

विद्यालय पाठ्यचर्चा के एक अभिन्न अंग के रूप में मूल्य आधारित शिक्षा पर भी ध्यान दिया गया है।

Provision of multi-media educational PCs

2282. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to provide multi-media educational PCs for less than Rs. 25,000/-;

(b) if so, whether any time schedule has been fixed for this purpose;

(c) whether these PCs would be from branded companies or would be assembled ones; and

(d) whether there is any plan of action prepared for this?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (d) The National Task Force on Information Technology and Software Development recommended launching of three schemes, aimed at enabling students, teachers or schools to buy computers under attractive financial packages, to be supported by suitable initiatives including lowering the cost of PCs. Detailed plan of action in this behalf is to be finalised.

Different Teaching Post in IGNOU vis-a-vis other Universities

2283. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: SHRI AKHILESH DAS:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) which posts in the Indira Gandhi National Open University are parallel to the different teaching posts in other Universities in India under the UGC; and

(b) whether they are paid the same scales of pay and allowances including perks as are payable to teaching staff in other Universities; if not, what is the difference in their pay and perks; and the reasons for such disparity?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) According to the information furnished by the Indira Gandhi National Open University, the University has the teaching posts of Professor, Reader and Lecturer which are parallel to different teaching positions in other Central Universities and they are paid the same scales of pay and allowances including perks as are payable to the teaching staff in other Central Universities.

Petition filed by Lalit Kala Academy Workers Union

2284. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state: